

- when arrests have been made the prisoner or prisoners shall be immediately carried before the mayor or some other competent officer for trial, except in the following cases: First, when the arrest is made between sunset on Saturday and eight o'clock on Monday morning; second, when the arrest is made in the night; third, when the person arrested is found in an inebriated or intoxicated condition; fourth, when for the safe-keeping of the party arrested imprisonment is necessary. In any of these cases the prisoner may be committed without *mittimus* or warrant to the town or county jails until his trial before the mayor or other officer, which cannot be compelled except between the hours of eight o'clock in the morning and sunset on all days of the week, except Sundays not at all.
- Exceptions.**
- Prisoner committed without mittimus.**
- Hours of mayor's court.**
- Mayor constituted special court. Jurisdiction.**
- Mayor may issue warrant on his own information.**
- Mayor to preside at meetings of commissioners.**
- To break tie.**
- To keep minutes.**
- Force of judgments.**
- Violation of town ordinance a misdemeanor.**
- Mayor may imprison for fines.**
- SEC. 20. That the mayor of said town of Magnolia is hereby constituted a special court, with all the jurisdiction and powers in criminal offenses occurring within the limits of said town which are or hereafter may be given to justices of the peace. He shall preserve and keep the peace, and may cause, upon proper proceedings, persons charged or convicted of crimes in other counties or States, who may be found in the town limits, to be arrested and bound or imprisoned, to appear at the proper tribunal to answer for their offenses. He shall also have jurisdiction to issue process, to hear and determine all misdemeanors consisting of a violation of the ordinances or regulations of the said town, to enforce penalties by issuing executions upon any adjudged violations thereof, to execute the laws and rules and ordinances made by the commissioners of said town.
- SEC. 21. That the mayor may issue his warrant upon his own information of any violation of any town ordinance without a written affidavit, and may issue the same to any constable of the town or to such other officers as may be clothed with the powers of the constable, or to such other officer as a justice of the peace may issue his precepts.
- SEC. 22. That the mayor shall preside at all meetings of the town commissioners, and vote in no case except in an equal vote between said commissioners: then he shall give the casting vote. He shall keep a faithful minute of all precepts issued by him, and of all judicial proceedings. Judgments rendered by him shall have all the force, virtue and validity as if issued by a justice of the peace, and may be executed and enforced against the parties in the courts of Duplin County and elsewhere, and by the same means and manner as if the same had been rendered by a justice of the peace of Duplin County.
- SEC. 23. That every violation of a town ordinance shall be a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars or imprisonment of not more than thirty days.
- SEC. 24. That the mayor shall have power to imprison for fines imposed by him under the provisions of this act, and in such cases